Troopers Investigating Head On Collision- State Route 1 Middletown



Middletown — Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash involving a wrong way driver on State Route 1 in Middletown, that has sent three people to the hospital.

The incident occurred at approximately 12:09 a.m., Saturday, May 19, 2018, on State Route 1 in the area of Pole Bridge Road, Middletown. A 2006 Chevrolet Malibu, driven by a 24 year old Wilmington woman, was traveling SR 1 southbound in the northbound lanes of travel, north of the Roth Bridge. The Chevrolet continued southbound in the northbound lanes, crossing the bridge and proceeding through the Biddles Toll

Plaza.

A 2016 Nissan Pathfinder, being driven by a 39 year old Concord, North Carolina woman was traveling SR 1 northbound in the left lane, just north of the Pole Bridge Road interchange, following behind another vehicle. As the Chevrolet approached, the lead vehicle was able to swerve out of the way to avoid a collision, however the Nissan was unable to do so and was struck head on.

The operator of the Chevrolet who was properly restrained, was transported to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries. Impairment is being considered as a factor on her behalf.

The operator of the Nissan who was properly restrained, was transported to the Christiana Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Impairment is not being considered a factor on her behalf.

A 41 year old Concord, North Carolina man, who was a passenger in the Nissan and not wearing a seatbelt, was also transported to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries.

SR 1 northbound in the area of Pole Bridge Road was closed for approximately 2 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The investigation is ongoing and no charges have been filed at this time. Anyone with information regarding the crash is asked to contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8486.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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